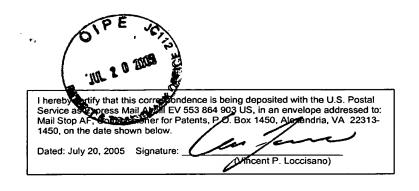
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In response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2005 (Paper No. 20050408), finally rejecting claims 1-51, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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